

Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

10.(previously presented) A method for marking a transportation surface comprising the steps of:

- a) heating the surface to a temperature above ambient temperature;
- b) flame spraying onto the surface a finely-divided, free flowing powder binder material comprising acrylic polymer or copolymer, olefin polymer or copolymer, urethane polymer or copolymer, curable epoxy resin, ester polymer or copolymer, or blend thereof and a particulate topcoat or particulate filler comprising reflective elements, skid-resistant particles, magnetizable particles or mixture thereof; and
- c) allowing the thus-applied materials to cool and form a marker in which the binder adheres directly to the surface.

11. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the applied materials are postheated after they are applied to the surface.

12. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the binder is thermosettable.

13. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the binder comprises a dry powder blend.

14. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the blend comprises curable epoxy resin and olefin polymer or copolymer.

15. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the blend comprises acrylic polymer or copolymer and one or more of a urethane or ester polymer or copolymer.

16. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the blend comprises acrylic polymer or copolymer and ethylene acrylic acid or ethylene methacrylic acid copolymer

17. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 13, wherein the blend comprises a mixture of thermosettable and thermoplastic materials.

18. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the binder comprises an ethylene acrylic acid or ethylene methacrylic acid copolymer and the particulate filler or particulate topcoat comprise reflective elements and skid-resistant particles.

19. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 10, wherein the marker comprises two or more layers.

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